

Stafford County Public Schools  
Special Education Advisory Committee  
June 5, 2006

**Attendance**

Brian Alden  
Tom Henion  
Teresa O'Meara  
Amy Zurasky

**Staff Attendance**

Sue Clark  
Barbara Platt  
Wendy Martin-Johnson  
Dianne Hill  
Shannon McQuown

Meeting was called to order by Brian Alden at 7:00pm.

**AWARD PRESENTATION EXTRA MILE AWARDS** - Joyce Resch read the nominating letter and presented an Extra Mile Award for Lisa Dunnivan for serving as a Big Sister.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS** - No public comments were given.

**COMMENTS FROM PRC** - PRC summarized the finalizing of Extra Mile and Buddy Awards.

**COMMENTS FROM DRC** - Kim Lett stated that they just completed the self-defense classes at DRC. The classes were successful. Youth services have been busy during the IEP processes. They are trying to put together a summer art project. Conferences will be held throughout the summer. Pathways flier was distributed to the SEAC members. The SEAC discussed which members will present awards at the various schools.

**COMMENTS FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF SPECIAL EDUCATION** - Sue Clark discussed the budget situation and how it is impacting staff retention. Next week the School Board should vote on the final budget. Sue stated that the county is recruiting to fill vacated positions. Sue stated that the county was awarded a grant from the state for assistive technology.

**MEMBER COMMENTS** - Amy Zurasky commented that area little league are inclusive for children with special needs.

Brian clarified the Annual Report recommendation for a review of supplies in special education classrooms. Staff will meet as to how the process can be implemented.

Teresa O'Meara stated that the award process should be streamlined.

Tom Henion stated that he would be willing to assist in the determination of the process for reviewing the supply needs for special education classrooms. Tom stated that serving on the SEAC was a great experience for him and that the SEAC has been a great opportunity to learn many things about the special education in Stafford County.

**CHAIR UPDATES** - Brian Alden stated that the presentation of the Annual Report went well. Brian would like the SEAC members to follow-up with their respective School Board members as to the recommendations in the Annual Report.

Brian collected the SEAC survey. Sue Clark handed out the applications for next year's SEAC committee.

Board appointments will be made on August 22, 2006 and the initial SEAC meeting will be held on September 7, 2006.

Meeting was adjourned.